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**THIS IS A RESPONSE TO A
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Re: Inventor: Kunimasa SUZUKI, et al.
Serial No: 09/800,524
Filed: March 8, 2001
For: DISTRIBUTION MANAGEMENT DEVICE, DISTRIBUTION
MANAGEMENT METHOD, PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM AND
DISTRIBUTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Request for Extension of Time (3 Months)
Notice to File Missing Parts
Filing of Declaration/Declaration**

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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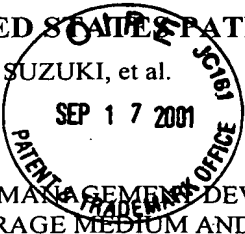
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FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)

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Responsive to the notification dated April 17, 2001, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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